

Wyoming Bean Commission
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March 6, 2019
Teleconference (Powell/Lingle)

Call to order: 2:30pm

Introductions:

In Attendance: Beau Fulton, Jerrod (Butch) Lind, Wayne Hort, Pascual Aguilar, Lynn Preator, Jeff Chapman, Dale Heggem (WDA), Kelsey Hart (WDA)

Absent: none

Public Attendance: Jolene Sweet – UW Seed Certification, Samantha Fulton- UW PREC, Camby Renyolds- UW PERC, Steve Paisley - UW SAREC, Mike Moore – UW Seed Certification

Corrections/Additions to Agenda: No Changes.

Approval of Minutes- February 7, 2019: Jeff Chapman motions to approve minutes, Butch Lind seconded the motion to approve minutes. Motion Carries

Budget Review: Dale Heggem- WBC funds are currently sitting at around \$220,000. He mentioned we probably won't see remainder of expected amount until end of next quarter- estimated that the account total should reflect \$250,000-300,000 by end of 2nd quarter.

Research Projects:

Dr. Stump's project for \$4,700 was part of a 2 year continuation of a multi-year that was allocated last year. It will not count towards this year's funding allocations.

Dale Heggem asked the board how they'd like to go about funding multi-year projects. He suggested that they fund as single year projects. Jeff Chapman motions to approve funding for projects on an annual basis & multi-year plans will be accepted and given priority funding in the following years. Multi-year plans will need to submit a project request and provide an annual progress report for the Commission to assess progress. Lynn Preator seconded motion. Motion carries to approve funding for multi-year projects on an annual basis with required documentation noted above.

Wayne Hort makes motions to approve all projects in full; Butch Lind seconds the approval of all projects in full. Motion carries.

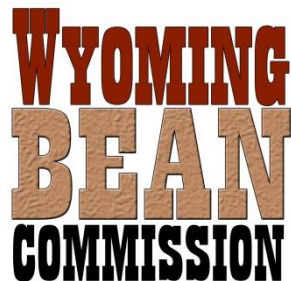
Bret Hess - Request for no cost extension of unused WBC funds (UW Weed scientist research funds) – Dale Heggem spoke with WDA Accountant regarding this. WDA cannot reallocate those funds per language of the contracts.

Jim Heitholt – Request for no cost extension of unused funds from 2017 contract – Dale Heggem spoke with WDA Accountant regarding this. Based on the contract language, WDA cannot put an extension for a portion of the allocated funds.

All unused funds will be returned to WDA to and applied to the WBC account for future use.

Commission Members

Beau Fulton, Chairman/Grower | Jeff Chapman, Vice Chairman/Handler | Lynn Preator, Handler | Wayne Hort, Grower | Jerrod Lind, Grower | Pascual Aguilar, Grower | Dale Heggem, WDA Ex-Officio



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Bean Commission Board openings: Dale Heggem spoke to Attorney General's office regarding empty seats on the commission. The way statute is written, there cannot be any write in's or floor nominations. The only course of action is that they will have to submit application with Governor's office to request to be put back on the commission as a Handler/Grower. These applications cannot be submitted until after July 1, 2019. Applications are open to any Handler/Grower; it does not have to be a current member of the commission.

New business:

- Dale Heggem clarified that the Weed Scientist Position contract was valid until June 30, 2019, not March 31, 2019 as originally stated at the last meeting.
- Dry bean council –
 - Board Reps: Suggested for this first year have chair & co-chair and rotate annually at the WCIA meeting.
 - Washington DC Meeting- April 3-4, 2019 – Commission needs to approve funds to send WBC members. Wayne Hort makes motion to send two people, Pascual Aguilar seconded the motion. Motion carries.
- Other mailings to growers – *update*: letters were sent out with Ballots last week.
- Legislative Update:
 - Joint Appropriations Committee – requesting annual updates
 - Cap limit: Do we set this in Rule? Or Statute? – Other changes to current statute? Discussion point. No motions to change anything, suggested waiting another year at least.
- WBC Website Discussion: WCIA host cost is \$310/year and \$20/month for host (\$220/year) plus \$8.33/year for split domain costs through UW Seed Certification. WDA also has a page designated for WBC that is updated regularly by Kelsey Hart and is no additional cost to the WBC. Butch Lind makes motion to end contract with current host with Seed Cert and maintain with WDA's Wyoming Bean Commission page. Wayne Hort seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Rocky Mountain Bean Dealers Association (RMBDA) – Dale Heggem is attending annual meeting in Denver this upcoming weekend and meet with CO & NE bean commissions to get some ideas. Jeff Chapman motions to join RMBDA as an Associate Member for \$150. Lynn Preator seconds the motion. Motion carries.
- Dale Heggem needs approval from commission to approve travel expenses for him to travel to Denver to attend the RMBDA meeting this upcoming meeting. Lynn Preator motions the approval, Jeff Chapman seconded. Motion carries.
- Bean Consortium – February 25th, 2019- Dale Heggem noted that the WBC was not provided an invite or agenda for this meeting. Dale Heggem has requested that we be added to the mailing list. Mike Moore attended and updated Commission on the meeting outcomes. Mike Moore mentioned there is an open seat for the WBC to have a presence at the meetings. It was noted that the WBC had previously voted to set aside \$5,000 for the Consortium on an as needed basis. Those funds are still available but the Bean Consortium has never asked for them.
- Election Process- WDA will set up conference call in July or as soon as the Governor appoints members for the vacant positions to elect new chair/co-chair

Board/Public Comment: None.

Adjourn: Jeff Chapman motions to adjourn, Lynn Preator seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 4:22pm.

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